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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--JANUARY 1991

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.6 percent before seasonal adjustment in January to a level of 134.6 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in January, the CPI-U increased 5.7 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 0.5 percent in January prior to seasonal adjustment. The January 1991 CPI-W level of 132.8 was 5.5 percent higher than the index in January 1990.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.4 percent in January, following increases of 0.3 percent in each of the preceding 2 months. Petroleum-based energy prices fell sharply in January led by a 6.5 percent decrease in the index for motor fuels. The increase in the food index reflects a sharp upturn in fruit and vegetable prices, principally resulting from reduced supplies as a consequence of the adverse weather in late December. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.8 percent in January compared with an average monthly increase of 0.4 percent in 1990. This acceleration was largely due to increases in the indexes for lodging while out of town, apparel and upkeep, alcoholic beverages, and tobacco products. (Federal excise taxes on alcoholic beverages and cigarettes were increased on January 1.)

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadjusted 12-mos. ended Jan. '91
	Changes from preceding month							Compound annual rate 3 mos. ended Jan. '91	
	1990						1991		
	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.		
All items	.4	.8	.8	.6	.3	.3	.4	4.3	5.7
Food and beverages	.4	.4	.3	.4	.4	.1	.9	5.8	4.5
Housing	.5	.5	.5	.3	.2	.2	.8	4.7	4.7
Apparel and upkeep	.2	.3	.6	-.3	.2	.3	1.0	5.9	6.1
Transportation	.3	1.9	2.2	1.9	.6	.3	-1.2	-1.3	7.1
Medical care	.9	.9	.7	.8	.7	.8	.6	9.1	9.7
Entertainment	.6	.2	.8	.1	.1	.1	.7	3.6	4.3
Other goods and services	.6	.9	-.1	.6	.7	.7	.7	8.9	8.1

Note: Seasonal factors have been recalculated to reflect developments during 1990. For this reason, some of the seasonally adjusted figures shown above and elsewhere differ from those previously published.

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The index for food and beverages increased 0.9 percent in January. Prices for alcoholic beverages advanced a record 4.9 percent, reflecting only in part the increase in Federal excise taxes effective on January 1. Grocery store food prices, which rose 0.1 percent in December, increased 0.8 percent in January. This acceleration was largely due to the sharp turnaround in the index for fruits and vegetables--up 2.9 percent in January, following a 0.6 percent decline in December--resulting from the effects of the adverse weather in late December. In particular, prices for oranges rose 37.2 percent and lettuce, 24.5 percent. Also contributing to the acceleration in food prices was a 1.3 percent increase in the index for cereal and bakery products. On the other hand, prices for dairy products declined for the third consecutive month--down 1.2 percent in January--and the index for meats, poultry, fish and seafood, and eggs rose substantially less than in recent months--up 0.2 percent. Increases in prices for eggs and poultry--up 6.9 and 1.2 percent, respectively--more than offset declines in prices for beef, pork, and fish and seafood. The other major food and beverage group--food away from home--rose 0.1 percent in January.

The housing component, which rose 0.2 percent in December, advanced 0.8 percent in January, its largest increase since a 1.0 percent rise in June 1982. All three major housing groups contributed to the acceleration. Shelter costs advanced 0.8 percent in January, following a 0.4 percent increase in December. Within shelter, renters' costs rose 1.7 percent; homeowners' costs, 0.4 percent; and maintenance and repair costs, 0.2 percent. The large increase in renters' costs resulted from a 6.8 percent rise in lodging while out of town, reflecting seasonal price increases in vacation areas. Residential rents rose 0.1 percent. The index for fuels and other utilities turned up in January, increasing 1.6 percent. The index for household fuels rose 1.5 percent as increases in charges for electricity and natural gas--up 2.8 and 1.0 percent, respectively--more than offset a 5.6 percent drop in fuel oil prices. Fuel oil prices, which rose 52.6 percent in the 3 months ended in October, have declined 11.9 percent in the past 3 months. The index for other utilities and public services advanced 1.7 percent, reflecting a sharp increase in charges for telephone services. A 4.0 percent rise in charges for local telephone services more than offset declines in long distance rates. The index for household furnishings and operations, which declined slightly in December, increased 0.4 percent in January.

The index for transportation declined 1.2 percent in January, reflecting a sharp drop in the index for motor fuels. Gasoline prices, which increased 27.2 percent in the 4 months ended in November before turning down in December, fell 6.9 percent in January. Also contributing to the decrease in the transportation component were declines in the indexes for used cars, tires, automobile body work and automotive registration, licensing, and inspection fees. Partially offsetting these declines was a substantial increase in automobile purchase costs. New car prices rose 1.3 percent in January, their largest monthly increase since May 1981. This advance reflects the continued introduction of higher priced 1991 models, as well as an end to consumer rebates on some domestic models. Automobile finance changes increased 0.7 percent in January. The index for public transportation rose 0.6 percent, largely as a result of the continued increase in airline fares. A 0.7 percent rise in January brought the increase in airline fares to 13.4 percent during the past 5 months.

The index for apparel and upkeep increased 1.0 percent in January. This reflects somewhat smaller than normal seasonal price reductions for fall and winter clothing as well as the earlier than usual introduction of higher priced spring and summer clothing. The index for watches and jewelry rose 4.3 percent, in part reflecting the increase in Federal excise taxes.

The medical care component rose 0.6 percent in January to a level 9.7 percent above a year ago. In January, the index for medical care commodities--prescription drugs, nonprescription drugs, and medical supplies--rose 0.8 percent. The index for medical care services increased 0.6 percent, with the cost of professional services and hospital and related services up 0.5 and 0.9 percent, respectively.

The entertainment index rose 0.7 percent in January, following increases of 0.1 percent in each of the 3 preceding months. A 1.6 percent increase in the index for reading materials accounted for about one-third of the entertainment advance.

The other goods and services component increased 0.7 percent in January, the same as in December. The index for tobacco products, reflecting a 4 cents a pack increase in the Federal excise tax effective on January 1, rose 1.2 percent. This advance, coupled with a 0.9 percent increase in the index for tuition and other school fees accounted for over four-fifths of the rise in this major group.

CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers rose 0.4 percent in January.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadjusted 12-mos. ended Jan.'91
	Changes from preceding month							Compound annual rate 3 mos. ended Jan. '91	
	1990						1991		
	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.		
All items	.3	.9	.8	.6	.3	.3	.4	4.0	5.5
Food and beverages	.4	.4	.3	.4	.4	.1	.9	5.8	4.5
Housing	.3	.6	.5	.3	.2	.2	.9	4.8	4.4
Apparel and upkeep	.0	.4	.5	-.4	.3	.2	.9	5.6	5.9
Transportation	.3	2.1	2.4	2.0	.4	.3	-1.4	-2.8	6.8
Medical care	.8	.9	.5	.8	.8	.7	.8	9.7	9.2
Entertainment	.5	.3	.6	.2	.1	.1	.7	3.3	4.0
Other goods and services	.7	.6	.4	.5	.7	.8	.8	9.7	8.3

Consumer Price Index data for February 1991 will be released on Tuesday, March 19, 1991, 8:30 A.M. (EST).

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year--such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index unadjusted for seasonal variation.

Seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-11-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. The updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977. Subsequent annual updates have replaced 5 years of seasonal data, e.g., data from 1986 through 1990 were replaced at the end of 1990. The seasonal movement of all items and 47 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 60 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 60 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used for the last 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes will be used before that period.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called intervention analysis for some CPI series. Intervention analysis allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors. For the fuel oil and the motor fuels indexes, this procedure was used to offset the effects that extreme price volatility would otherwise have had on the estimates of seasonally adjusted data for those series. For some women's apparel indexes and the girls' apparel index, the procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in pricing methodology; and for new cars, new trucks, and new vehicles, this procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in marketing strategies and the introduction of new models. For the tobacco and smoking products index, this procedure was used to offset the effects of increases in excise taxes and wholesale tobacco prices. A description of intervention analysis, as well as a list of events treated as interventions and seasonal factors for these items may be obtained by writing the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or by calling Claire McAnaw on (202)504-2051.

Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total population and (2) a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers 32 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and the other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 85 urban areas across the country from about 57,000 housing units and approximately 19,000 retail establishments-department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of food, fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 85 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain public utility rates, some fuel prices, and certain other items.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 29 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities, they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The index measures price change from a designated reference date--1982-84 which equals 100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period "market basket" of goods and services in the CPI has risen from $10 in 1982-84 to $11.65.

For further details see BLS Handbook of Methods, Chapter 19, the Consumer Price Index, Bulletin 2285, April 1988.

Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example in the accompanying box illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

Index Point Change

CPI	115.7
Less previous index	111.2
Equals index point change	4.5

Percent Change

Index point difference	4.5
Divided by the previous index	111.2
Equals	0.040
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.040x100
Equals percent change	4.0

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Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U

	Relative importance, December 1990	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1991 from—		Seasonally adjusted percent change from—		
		Dec. 1990	Jan. 1991	Jan. 1990	Dec. 1990	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	133.8	134.6	5.7	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.4
All items (1967=100)	-	400.9	403.1	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	17.706	133.9	135.9	4.5	1.5	.4	.1	.9
Food	16.188	134.2	135.8	4.1	1.2	.4	.1	.6
Food at home	10.094	133.8	136.4	4.1	1.9	.5	.1	.8
Cereals and bakery products 1/	1.420	142.4	144.3	5.4	1.3	-.1	.5	1.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.169	133.6	134.7	6.2	.8	.5	.5	.2
Dairy products 1/	1.258	126.7	125.2	-.5	-1.2	-.4	-1.1	-1.2
Fruits and vegetables	1.830	146.5	156.9	2.1	7.1	2.4	-.6	2.9
Other food at home	2.418	125.2	127.0	4.7	1.4	.2	.5	.8
Sugar and sweets 1/	.343	126.4	127.3	3.9	.7	-.4	.2	.7
Fats and oils 1/	.271	131.0	132.4	7.2	1.1	.5	1.7	1.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	.765	113.1	115.7	2.9	2.3	.0	-.4	.8
Other prepared food	1.039	134.2	135.6	5.7	1.0	.3	1.0	.7
Food away from home 1/	6.094	135.7	135.8	4.2	.1	.3	.2	.1
Alcoholic beverages 1/	1.518	130.9	137.3	8.8	4.9	-.1	.0	4.9
Housing	41.356	130.5	131.8	4.7	1.0	.2	.2	.8
Shelter	27.657	142.7	144.0	5.6	.9	.2	.4	.8
Renters' costs 2/	7.906	149.5	153.2	7.9	2.5	.5	.7	1.7
Rent, residential	5.840	141.1	141.2	4.0	.1	.1	.4	.1
Other renters' costs	2.065	157.0	171.7	19.6	9.4	1.4	1.4	6.0
Homeowners' costs 2/	19.544	147.5	147.9	4.8	.3	.1	.3	.4
Owners' equivalent rent 2/	19.163	147.7	148.1	4.9	.3	.1	.3	.4
Household insurance 1/ 2/	.382	136.5	136.8	2.0	.2	.3	.1	.2
Maintenance and repairs 1/	.207	123.8	124.1	3.1	.2	.4	-.1	.2
Maintenance and repair services 1/	.127	128.9	129.3	4.5	.3	.0	.1	.3
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/	.080	116.8	117.2	1.0	.3	1.2	-.4	.3
Fuel and other utilities	7.327	112.7	114.8	3.6	1.9	.4	-.6	1.6
Fuels	4.140	105.6	107.7	3.1	2.0	.3	-.2	1.5
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	.520	114.1	111.2	-1.7	-2.5	-1.8	-3.1	-3.5
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.619	108.6	111.5	3.7	2.7	.6	.3	2.2
Other utilities and public services 1/	3.188	132.7	135.0	4.4	1.7	.2	-.7	1.7
Household furnishings and operation 1/	6.371	113.7	114.1	1.8	.4	-.4	-.1	.4
Housefurnishings 1/	3.773	106.1	106.5	.4	.4	-.7	-.5	.4
Housekeeping supplies 1/	1.168	127.5	127.7	2.7	.2	.6	.8	.2
Housekeeping services 1/	1.431	122.3	122.6	4.0	.2	.2	.2	.2
Apparel and upkeep	6.073	125.3	123.8	6.1	-1.2	.2	.3	1.0
Apparel commodities	5.512	123.0	121.3	6.1	-1.4	.1	.3	1.1
Men's and boys' apparel	1.451	122.3	120.1	3.3	-1.8	.2	.3	.1
Women's and girls' apparel	2.495	123.5	120.7	7.8	-2.3	.2	1.2	1.4
Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/	.219	125.6	124.9	10.8	-.6	-.5	-.5	-.6
Footwear	.801	118.4	117.3	3.7	-.9	-.2	.2	.5
Other apparel commodities 1/	.547	130.8	135.1	8.0	3.3	.1	-3.3	3.3
Apparel services	.561	140.2	140.7	6.3	.4	.4	.3	.2
Transportation	17.796	127.2	125.5	7.1	-1.3	.6	.3	-1.2
Private transportation	16.214	125.1	123.3	6.3	-1.5	.4	.1	-1.4
New vehicles	5.018	124.3	125.2	2.4	.8	.3	.6	.7
New cars	4.043	133.5	134.6	1.9	.9	.2	.6	1.3
Used cars	1.129	117.1	116.1	-2.4	-.9	-.6	.3	-.4
Motor fuel	4.051	117.1	108.3	18.5	-7.5	.4	-.7	-6.5
Gasoline	-	117.0	108.0	19.2	-7.7	.5	-.4	-6.9
Maintenance and repairs 1/	1.498	132.5	133.1	4.6	.5	.3	.0	.5
Other private transportation	4.507	146.7	147.3	5.0	.4	.6	.6	-.1
Other private transportation commodities 1/	.688	103.8	103.9	2.0	.1	1.4	.3	.1
Other private transportation services	3.819	156.2	157.0	5.6	.4	.5	.6	.0
Public transportation 1/	1.582	154.4	155.4	15.8	.6	2.5	2.7	.6
Medical care	6.387	169.2	171.0	9.7	1.1	.7	.8	.6
Medical care commodities	1.203	169.1	170.4	8.6	.8	.6	.9	.8
Medical care services	5.184	169.3	171.1	9.9	1.1	.7	.8	.6
Professional medical services	3.119	160.0	161.2	6.7	.8	.5	.4	.5
Entertainment 1/	4.316	134.6	135.5	4.3	.7	-.1	.1	.7
Entertainment commodities 1/	2.016	125.2	126.2	3.2	.8	-.1	.0	.8
Entertainment services 1/	2.300	146.3	147.2	5.3	.6	.2	.2	.6
Other goods and services	6.267	164.5	166.5	8.1	1.2	.7	.7	.7
Tobacco and smoking products	1.342	190.5	195.8	12.5	2.8	1.2	1.5	1.2
Personal care 1/	1.194	132.4	133.1	4.3	.5	.2	.4	.5
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/	.624	129.2	130.2	4.2	.3	.2	.2	.3
Personal care services 1/	.559	135.0	136.0	4.4	.7	.2	.4	.7
Personal and educational expenses	3.631	176.1	177.6	7.6	.7	.6	.5	.6
School books and supplies	.237	174.1	176.1	4.9	.8	.5	.6	-.5
Personal and educational services	3.395	176.4	177.9	7.8	.7	.6	.5	.7
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	133.8	134.6	5.7	.6	.3	.3	.4
Commodities	45.287	126.0	126.0	5.1	.0	.2	.1	.1
Food and beverages	17.706	133.9	135.9	4.5	1.5	.4	.1	.9
Commodities less food and beverages	27.582	121.1	119.9	5.5	-1.0	.1	.1	-.4
Nondurables less food and beverages 1/	16.882	125.8	123.6	8.5	-1.9	-.2	-.8	-1.9
Apparel commodities	5.512	123.0	121.3	6.1	-1.4	.1	.3	1.1
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 1/	11.370	130.1	127.3	9.7	-2.2	.2	-.3	-2.2
Durables	10.700	114.5	115.0	1.1	.4	-.1	.2	.4
Services	54.713	142.3	143.8	6.2	1.1	.4	.4	.8
Rent of shelter 1/ 2/	27.035	148.4	149.8	5.8	.9	.0	.2	.9
Household services less rent of shelter 2/	8.780	122.2	124.3	3.9	1.7	.6	.0	1.5
Transportation services	6.899	150.0	150.7	7.5	.5	.9	.3	.3
Medical care services	5.184	169.3	171.1	9.9	1.1	.7	.8	.6
Other services	6.815	154.3	155.6	6.5	.7	.5	.3	.6
Special indexes								
All items less food	83.812	133.7	134.3	6.0	.4	.3	.3	.4
All items less shelter	72.343	131.5	132.1	5.7	.5	.4	.2	.4
All items less homeowners' costs 2/	80.456	135.5	136.3	5.9	.6	.4	.3	.4
All items less medical care	93.613	131.8	132.5	5.3	.5	.3	.2	.3
Commodities less food	29.099	121.4	120.6	5.7	-.7	.1	.1	-.2
Nondurables less food 1/	18.400	125.7	124.0	8.6	-1.4	-.2	-.7	-1.4
Nondurables less food and apparel 1/	12.888	129.0	127.3	9.6	-1.3	-.2	-.2	-1.3
Nondurables 1/	36.587	130.0	129.8	6.4	-.2	.1	-.4	-.2
Services less rent of shelter 2/	27.678	146.4	148.0	6.6	1.1	.6	.5	.7
Services less medical care services	49.529	139.7	141.1	5.8	1.0	.5	.4	.8
Energy	8.181	110.1	107.1	9.7	-2.7	.5	-.4	-2.6
All items less energy	91.819	137.4	138.5	5.5	.9	.6	.3	.8
All items less food and energy	75.632	138.3	139.4	5.6	.8	.3	.4	.8
Commodities less food and energy commodities	24.528	125.3	125.9	4.0	.5	.2	.2	1.0
Energy commodities	4.571	117.0	109.9	15.5	-6.3	.2	-1.0	-6.1
Services less energy services	51.093	145.8	147.1	6.3	.9	.4	.4	.7
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=$1.00 1/	-	$.747	$.743	-5.4	-.5	-.1	-.1	-.5
1967=$1.00 1/	-	.249	.248	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
- Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U

	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended-				6 months ended-	
	Oct. 1990	Nov. 1990	Dec. 1990	Jan. 1991	Apr. 1990	July 1990	Oct. 1990	Jan. 1991	July 1990	Jan. 1991
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.7	9.2	4.3	4.6	6.7
Food and beverages	133.7	134.2	134.4	135.6	3.4	4.7	4.3	5.8	4.0	5.1
Food	134.1	134.7	134.9	135.7	3.1	5.0	4.0	4.9	4.0	4.4
Food at home	133.9	134.6	134.8	135.9	1.2	5.0	4.6	6.1	3.1	5.6
Cereals and bakery products 1/	141.9	141.7	142.4	144.3	6.0	4.7	4.0	6.9	5.3	5.5
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	132.3	133.0	133.6	133.9	8.9	4.7	6.9	4.9	6.8	5.9
Dairy products 1/	128.6	128.1	126.7	125.2	-1.9	1.6	9.6	-10.2	-.2	-.8
Fruits and vegetables	148.0	151.6	150.7	155.1	-11.6	5.6	-1.9	20.6	-3.4	8.8
Other food at home	125.1	125.3	125.9	126.9	1.7	6.7	4.6	5.9	4.2	5.2
Sugar and sweets 1/	126.6	126.1	126.4	127.3	3.6	4.3	5.6	2.2	4.0	3.9
Fats and oils 1/	128.1	128.8	131.0	132.4	2.6	7.6	6.8	14.1	5.1	9.4
Nonalcoholic beverages	115.0	115.0	114.5	115.4	-1.4	10.4	1.8	1.4	4.3	1.6
Other prepared food	133.1	133.5	134.8	135.7	3.8	4.4	5.9	8.0	4.1	7.3
Food away from home 1/	135.0	135.4	135.7	135.8	6.9	4.3	3.3	2.4	5.6	2.9
Alcoholic beverages 1/	131.0	130.9	130.9	137.3	6.5	5.4	3.4	20.7	5.9	11.7
Housing	130.4	130.6	130.8	131.9	3.5	4.8	5.7	4.7	4.2	5.2
Shelter	142.0	142.3	142.8	143.9	5.7	7.1	4.3	5.5	6.4	4.9
Renters' costs 2/	148.8	149.5	150.5	153.0	5.8	7.7	6.4	11.8	6.7	9.1
Rent, residential	140.2	140.4	140.9	141.0	4.5	4.7	4.1	2.3	4.6	3.2
Other renters' costs	159.9	162.2	164.5	176.3	10.0	15.8	12.7	41.2	12.2	26.1
Homeowners' costs 2/	146.8	146.9	147.3	147.9	5.8	7.3	3.6	3.0	6.5	3.3
Owners' equivalent rent 2/	147.0	147.1	147.5	148.1	5.8	7.2	3.6	3.0	6.5	3.3
Household insurance 1/ 2/	135.9	136.3	136.5	136.8	.9	2.7	1.8	2.7	1.8	2.2
Maintenance and repairs 1/	123.4	123.9	123.8	124.1	2.7	3.0	4.3	2.3	2.8	3.3
Maintenance and repair services 1/	128.8	128.8	128.9	129.3	6.3	.0	10.6	1.6	3.1	6.0
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/	115.9	117.3	116.8	117.2	-2.1	7.1	-2.0	4.9	2.4	1.3
Fuel and other utilities	113.8	114.2	113.7	115.5	-3.5	-1.8	15.0	6.1	-2.7	10.5
Fuels	106.4	106.7	106.5	108.1	-9.6	-3.5	21.2	6.5	-6.6	13.7
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	119.9	117.7	114.0	110.0	-61.6	-18.5	321.1	-29.2	-44.1	72.7
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	109.0	109.7	110.6	112.4	.4	-1.5	3.4	13.1	-.6	8.1
Other utilities and public services 1/	133.4	133.7	132.7	135.0	5.0	-.3	8.2	4.9	2.3	6.5
Household furnishings and operation 1/	114.2	113.8	113.7	114.1	2.5	2.9	2.1	-.3	2.7	.9
Housefurnishings 1/	107.4	106.6	106.1	106.5	1.9	.8	2.3	-3.3	1.3	-.6
Housekeeping supplies 1/	125.8	125.5	127.5	127.7	2.3	6.8	-.2	5.7	4.5	2.9
Housekeeping services 1/	131.8	132.0	132.3	132.6	4.1	4.8	4.4	2.7	4.5	3.5
Apparel and upkeep	125.1	125.3	125.7	126.9	15.6	1.6	2.3	5.9	8.4	4.1
Apparel commodities	122.8	122.9	123.3	124.6	16.6	1.0	7.0	6.0	8.5	4.0
Men's and boys' apparel	121.1	121.3	121.7	121.8	7.3	2.4	1.3	2.3	4.8	1.8
Women's and girls' apparel	122.9	122.5	124.7	126.4	17.8	2.3	.2	11.5	9.8	5.9
Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/	126.8	126.3	125.6	124.9	77.0	-6.9	-2.8	-5.9	28.4	-4.3
Footwear	118.3	118.1	118.3	118.9	9.6	1.7	2.1	2.0	5.5	2.0
Other apparel commodities 1/	135.1	135.2	130.8	135.1	27.0	-3.0	12.8	.0	9.8	6.2
Apparel services	139.5	140.0	140.[illegible]	140.7	6.8	7.3	7.5	3.5	7.1	5.5
Transportation	125.8	126.5	126.9	125.4	2.1	2.7	27.4	-1.3	7.4	12.2
Private transportation	124.3	124.8	124.9	123.2	.7	2.4	28.7	-3.5	1.6	11.4
New vehicles	121.8	122.2	122.9	123.8	.0	.3	2.7	6.7	.2	4.7
New cars	121.2	121.5	122.0	123.6	-2.3	-.3	2.3	8.2	-1.3	5.2
Used cars	117.6	116.9	117.3	116.7	-9.4	2.8	.2	-2.0	-3.2	-1.4
Motor fuel	118.0	118.5	117.7	110.0	-3.0	4.4	157.0	-24.3	.6	39.3
Gasoline	117.8	118.6	117.9	109.8	-1.3	3.3	156.2	-24.5	2.0	39.1
Maintenance and repairs 1/	132.1	132.5	132.5	133.1	6.8	2.5	6.0	3.1	4.6	4.5
Other private transportation	144.5	145.4	146.3	146.2	4.4	4.3	6.3	4.8	4.4	5.6
Other private transportation commodities 1/	102.1	103.5	103.8	103.9	.0	-.8	1.6	7.2	-.4	4.4
Other private transportation services	154.2	154.9	155.2	155.2	5.0	5.2	7.3	4.3	5.2	5.7
Public transportation 1/	146.6	150.3	154.4	155.4	19.5	3.8	14.9	26.3	11.5	20.4
Medical care	167.5	168.7	170.1	171.2	9.5	9.6	10.2	9.1	9.6	9.6
Medical care commodities	167.0	168.0	169.3	170.9	9.3	7.1	8.0	9.7	8.3	8.9
Medical care services	167.5	168.6	170.0	171.1	9.6	10.2	10.7	9.1	9.9	9.9
Professional medical services	159.2	160.0	160.7	161.5	6.5	7.8	6.8	5.9	7.1	6.4
Entertainment 1/	134.3	134.6	134.5	135.5	4.7	4.0	4.9	3.6	4.4	4.3
Entertainment commodities 1/	125.3	125.2	125.3	126.3	4.0	2.5	2.9	2.9	3.3	2.9
Entertainment services 1/	145.7	146.0	146.3	147.2	5.3	4.9	6.9	4.2	5.1	5.5
Other goods and services	162.8	162.9	165.1	166.2	7.8	9.8	5.2	10.3	8.8	7.4
Tobacco and smoking products	187.0	189.4	192.2	194.6	6.1	20.8	5.2	17.3	13.2	11.6
Personal care 1/	131.7	131.9	132.4	133.1	8.7	.9	3.4	4.3	4.8	3.9
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/	129.3	129.5	129.3	130.3	10.6	.3	2.8	3.1	5.3	3.0
Personal care services 1/	134.3	134.5	135.0	136.0	5.3	1.6	4.0	5.5	4.0	4.7
Personal and educational expenses	173.9	175.0	175.8	176.9	7.8	8.7	9.5	7.4	8.2	8.8
School books and supplies	173.3	174.2	175.2	176.5	7.7	7.5	1.5	7.8	7.6	7.3
Personal and educational services	173.9	175.0	175.8	177.0	8.0	8.9	6.7	7.3	8.4	7.0
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	4.5	4.7	9.2	4.3	4.6	6.7
Commodities	125.8	126.1	126.2	126.3	3.0	3.3	13.1	1.6	3.2	7.2
Food and beverages	133.7	134.2	134.4	135.6	3.4	4.7	4.3	5.8	4.0	5.1
Commodities less food and beverages	120.9	121.0	121.1	120.6	2.5	2.5	17.2	-1.0	2.5	7.6
Nondurables less food and beverages 1/	127.0	126.8	125.8	122.6	12.5	-7.6	41.7	-10.2	4.8	12.6
Apparel commodities	122.8	122.9	123.3	124.6	16.6	1.0	7.0	6.0	8.5	4.0
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 1/	130.3	130.5	130.1	127.3	-1.0	8.6	48.2	-8.9	3.7	16.2
Durables	113.8	113.7	113.9	114.3	.6	.5	3.8	1.9	.6	2.8
Services	141.6	142.1	142.7	143.5	6.0	5.9	5.5	6.7	6.0	6.3
Rent of shelter 1/ 2/	148.1	148.1	148.4	149.8	5.5	9.2	3.9	4.7	7.3	4.3
Household services less rent of shelter 2/	122.6	123.3	123.1	125.2	2.0	-.3	5.7	8.8	.8	7.2
Transportation services	147.0	148.3	149.7	150.1	8.6	4.3	8.6	8.7	6.4	8.7
Medical care services	167.5	168.6	170.0	171.1	9.6	10.2	10.7	9.1	9.9	9.9
Other services	153.4	154.1	154.6	155.6	7.0	6.6	6.5	5.9	6.8	6.3
Special indexes										
All items less food	133.1	133.5	133.9	134.5	5.1	4.8	9.9	4.3	4.9	7.0
All items less shelter	131.0	131.5	131.8	132.3	4.2	4.2	10.7	4.0	4.2	7.3
All items less homeowners' costs 2/	135.0	135.5	135.9	136.5	4.4	4.6	10.4	4.5	4.4	7.4
All items less medical care	121.2	121.6	121.9	122.5	4.2	4.3	9.0	4.0	4.2	6.5
Commodities less food	121.3	121.4	121.7	121.3	2.5	2.8	16.3	.0	2.6	8.0
Nondurables less food 1/	126.8	126.6	125.7	124.0	11.7	-1.4	38.0	-8.3	5.0	12.3
Nondurables less food and apparel 1/	129.1	129.3	129.0	127.3	-.3	8.2	41.8	-5.5	3.8	15.8
Nondurables 1/	130.4	130.5	130.0	129.8	7.4	1.3	20.0	-1.8	4.2	8.3
Services less rent of shelter 2/	145.3	146.2	146.9	148.0	5.9	4.6	7.8	7.6	5.2	7.7
Services less medical care services	139.0	139.6	140.1	141.2	5.2	6.0	5.4	6.3	5.6	5.9
Energy	110.9	111.4	110.9	108.2	-6.7	.0	72.3	-9.4	-3.4	24.9
All items less energy	136.8	137.2	137.7	138.8	5.6	5.2	4.8	6.0	5.4	5.4
All items less food and energy	137.7	138.1	138.6	139.7	6.2	5.2	5.1	5.9	5.7	5.5
Commodities less food and energy commodities	124.7	124.9	125.2	126.4	5.6	3.0	2.6	5.6	4.3	4.1
Energy commodities	118.4	118.6	117.4	110.2	-13.5	1.3	171.9	-27.0	-6.4	42.9
Services less energy services	144.9	145.5	146.1	147.1	6.5	6.4	6.0	6.2	6.5	6.1

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
- Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

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Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, all items index
(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U

Area	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change to Jan. 1991 from-			Percent change to Dec. 1990 from-		
		Oct. 1990	Nov. 1990	Dec. 1990	Jan. 1991	Jan. 1990	Nov. 1990	Dec. 1990	Dec. 1989	Oct. 1990	Nov. 1990
U.S. city average	M	133.5	133.8	133.8	134.6	5.7	0.6	0.6	6.1	0.2	0.0
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
North Central urban	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	125.8	126.2	125.7	126.0	5.0	-.2	.2	5.0	-.1	-.4
South urban	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	129.0	129.7	130.2	130.3	5.5	.5	.1	7.2	.9	.4
West urban	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Size classes											
A 3/	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
B	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
C	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
D	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Baltimore, MD	1	-	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	-	-	-	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	-	-	-	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	-	-	-	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	[illegible]	-	[illegible]	-	-	-	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	-

1/ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:
M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.
2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

2/ Regions are defined as the four Census regions.

3/ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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Table 4. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W

	Relative importance, December 1990	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to Jan. 1991 from-		Seasonally adjusted percent change from-		
		Dec. 1990	Jan. 1991	Jan. 1990	Dec. 1990	Oct. to Nov.	Nov. to Dec.	Dec. to Jan.
Expenditure category								
All items	100.000	132.2	132.8	5.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4
All items (1967=100)	-	393.6	395.4	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	19.404	133.4	135.6	4.5	1.5	.4	.1	.9
Food	17.982	133.5	135.5	4.2	1.2	.4	.1	.5
Food at home	11.422	133.3	135.9	4.1	1.8	.5	.1	.8
Cereals and bakery products 1/	1.514	142.3	144.1	5.3	1.3	-.1	.4	1.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.716	132.9	134.2	6.3	.8	.6	.4	.2
Dairy products 1/	1.394	126.3	124.9	-.6	-1.3	-.4	-1.2	-1.3
Fruits and vegetables	1.927	145.7	155.9	2.0	7.0	2.1	-.5	2.9
Other food at home	2.771	125.1	126.9	4.9	1.4	.2	.3	.8
Sugar and sweets 1/	.305	126.3	127.3	3.9	.8	-.4	.3	.8
Fats and oils 1/	.310	130.8	132.2	7.1	1.1	.5	1.7	1.1
Nonalcoholic beverages	.868	113.3	115.6	2.8	2.3	.1	-.5	.8
Other prepared food	1.183	134.0	135.5	5.7	1.1	.5	.3	.7
Food away from home 1/	6.560	135.6	135.7	6.2	.1	.3	.3	.1
Alcoholic beverages 1/	1.623	130.3	136.9	8.7	4.9	-.1	.0	4.9
Housing	[illegible]	[illegible]	129.4	4.4	.9	.2	.2	.9
Shelter	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Renters' costs 2/	[illegible]	135.6	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.2
Rent, residential	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other renters' costs	[illegible]	[illegible]	171.7	19.2	9.2	1.3	1.7	-6.2
Homeowners' costs 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Owners' equivalent rent 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Household insurance 1/ 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maintenance and repairs 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maintenance and repair services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fuel and other utilities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fuels	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	.473	113.4	110.6	-1.9	-2.5	-2.0	-2.6	-3.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.741	108.2	111.0	3.5	2.6	.7	.3	2.4
Other utilities and public services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.7
Household furnishings and operation 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Housefurnishings 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Housekeeping supplies 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Housekeeping services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Apparel and upkeep	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Apparel commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Men's and boys' apparel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Women's and girls' apparel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Footwear	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other apparel commodities 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Apparel services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Transportation	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Private transportation	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
New vehicles	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
New cars	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Used cars	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Motor fuel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gasoline	-	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maintenance and repairs 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other private transportation	[illegible]	144.3	144.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other private transportation commodities 1/	.866	103.2	103.3	1.9	.1	1.3	.2	.1
Other private transportation services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Public transportation 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Professional medical services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Entertainment 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Entertainment commodities 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Entertainment services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other goods and services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tobacco and smoking products	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal care 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal care services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal and educational expenses	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
School books and supplies	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal and educational services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	132.2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Food and beverages	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities less food and beverages	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables less food and beverages 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Apparel commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Durables	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rent of shelter 1/ 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Household services less rent of shelter 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Transportation services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Special indexes								
All items less food	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less shelter	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less homeowners' costs 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less medical care	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities less food	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables less food 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables less food and apparel 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services less rent of shelter 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services less medical care services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Energy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less energy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less food and energy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities less food and energy commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Energy commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services less energy services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=$1.00 1/	-	$.756	$.753	-5.2	-.4	-.3	.0	-.4
1967=$1.00 1/	-	.254	.253	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.
3/ Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 5. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W

	Seasonally adjusted indexes				Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for					
					3 months ended–				6 months ended–	
Expenditure category	Oct. 1990	Nov. 1990	Dec. 1990	Jan. 1991	Apr. 1990	July 1990	Oct. 1990	Jan. 1991	July 1990	Jan. 1991
All items	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.5	9.7	4.0	4.2	6.8
Food and beverages	133.5	134.1	134.2	135.4	3.4	4.7	4.3	5.8	4.1	5.1
Food	133.8	134.4	134.6	135.3	3.4	4.7	4.3	4.8	4.0	4.4
Food at home	133.6	134.3	134.4	135.5	1.2	5.0	4.9	5.8	3.1	5.4
Cereals and bakery products 1/	141.8	141.7	142.3	144.1	6.0	4.7	4.0	6.6	5.3	5.3
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	132.3	133.1	133.6	133.9	8.9	5.1	6.9	4.9	7.0	5.9
Dairy products 1/	128.5	128.0	126.5	124.9	-1.9	1.3	9.5	-10.7	-.3	-1.0
Fruits and vegetables	147.6	151.0	150.3	154.6	-12.1	5.6	-1.6	20.4	-3.7	8.8
Other food at home	125.0	125.2	125.8	126.8	2.0	6.4	6.5	5.9	4.2	5.2
Sugar and sweets 1/	126.5	126.0	126.3	127.3	4.0	3.9	5.1	3.6	4.0	3.9
Fats and oils 1/	128.0	128.6	130.8	132.2	2.3	7.6	5.2	13.8	4.5	9.4
Nonalcoholic beverages	115.2	115.3	114.7	115.6	-1.1	10.0	1.8	1.4	4.3	1.6
Other prepared food	132.9	133.4	134.6	135.9	3.5	4.1	6.5	8.6	7.8	7.6
Food away from home 1/	134.8	135.2	135.6	135.7	6.6	4.3	3.3	2.7	5.4	3.0
Alcoholic beverages 1/	130.6	130.5	130.5	136.9	6.8	4.8	3.4	20.7	5.8	11.8
Housing	128.1	128.3	128.5	129.6	3.3	4.2	3.8	4.8	3.7	5.3
Shelter	138.6	138.8	139.4	140.4	4.9	7.0	4.4	5.3	5.5	4.9
Renters' costs 2/	132.0	132.6	132.2	134.8	5.2	6.4	6.0	8.8	5.8	7.4
Rent, residential	139.7	139.9	140.6	140.6	4.5	5.1	4.1	2.6	4.8	3.4
Other renters' costs	160.3	162.3	165.0	175.2	7.8	13.2	15.6	41.0	10.5	28.6
Homeowners' costs 2/	133.7	133.8	134.2	134.8	5.1	6.9	4.0	3.3	6.0	3.7
Owners' equivalent rent 2/	133.9	134.0	134.4	135.0	5.1	7.2	4.0	3.3	6.2	3.7
Household insurance 1/ 2/	126.3	126.7	126.9	125.2	.3	3.0	1.3	[illegible]	1.6	[illegible]
Maintenance and repairs 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maintenance and repair services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	7.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fuel and other utilities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	10.3
Fuels	105.1	105.5	105.5	107.2	-9.3	-2.7	17.7	8.2	-6.1	12.9
Fuel oil and other household fuel commodities	118.9	116.5	113.5	109.4	-61.4	-17.8	307.2	-28.3	-43.6	70.8
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	108.3	109.1	109.4	112.0	-.4	-1.1	2.8	14.4	-.7	8.3
Other utilities and public services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Household furnishings and operation 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Housefurnishings 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.0	[illegible]	-2.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Housekeeping supplies 1/	125.1	125.8	127.9	128.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Housekeeping services 1/	133.3	133.5	133.7	135.0	4.1	3.7	6.5	3.3	3.9	[illegible]
Apparel and upkeep	122.9	124.3	124.5	125.6	13.7	.7	3.0	5.6	7.2	3.8
Apparel commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	15.7	.0	1.7	[illegible]	8.0	[illegible]
Men's and boys' apparel	130.0	130.1	130.5	130.8	6.3	2.0	1.7	2.7	[illegible]	2.0
Women's and girls' apparel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	18.7	-1.7	-.7	12.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	64.1	-1.1	-3.0	[illegible]	21.5	-3.8
Footwear	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.0	-1.4	-2.0	1.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other apparel commodities 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	29.7	-2.4	12.5	.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Apparel services	138.9	139.4	139.8	140.0	7.2	6.4	8.5	3.3	6.8	5.8
Transportation	125.6	126.1	126.1	126.7	1.0	2.4	28.7	-2.8	1.7	12.2
Private transportation	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.0	3.4	30.8	[illegible]	1.3	11.8
New vehicles	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	.2	.2	7.7	[illegible]	.2	[illegible]
New cars	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.6	-.3	7.0	[illegible]	-1.3	[illegible]
Used cars	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-8.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-3.0	[illegible]
Motor fuel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.0	158.7	[illegible]	.2	39.3
Gasoline	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-7.6	[illegible]	157.8	[illegible]	1.2	39.0
Maintenance and repairs 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other private transportation	143.0	143.0	143.8	143.9	4.1	3.5	6.4	3.5	3.8	6.0
Other private transportation commodities 1/	101.7	103.0	103.2	103.3	.0	-.4	1.6	6.4	-.2	4.0
Other private transportation services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Public transportation 1/	143.7	146.8	150.3	151.3	17.8	3.8	13.8	23.6	10.5	17.1
Medical care	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	170.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Professional medical services	159.5	160.4	161.0	161.7	6.3	7.5	7.1	5.6	6.8	6.3
Entertainment 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Entertainment commodities 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Entertainment services 1/	145.5	145.8	146.1	147.1	5.9	4.3	6.9	4.3	5.1	5.7
Other goods and services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tobacco and smoking products	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	20.3	[illegible]	17.3	-13.3	15.9
Personal care 1/	131.5	131.8	132.2	132.7	8.8	.9	5.7	3.7	4.8	3.7
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	130.0	[illegible]	11.0	.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal care services 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal and educational expenses	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
School books and supplies	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Personal and educational services	173.6	173.6	174.4	175.6	8.6	7.1	6.5	7.1	[illegible]	6.8
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.9	4.5	9.7	4.0	4.2	6.8
Commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Food and beverages	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities less food and beverages	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	20.3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables less food and beverages 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.0	44.0	-11.1	[illegible]	13.1
Apparel commodities	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	16.7	.0	1.7	[illegible]	8.0	[illegible]
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 1/	121.2	121.4	121.0	127.8	-.7	9.7	51.8	-10.0	4.4	19.2
Durables	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rent of shelter 1/ 2/	133.7	133.7	133.9	134.6	4.8	6.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.1
Household services less rent of shelter 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Transportation services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medical care services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	9.4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Other services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Special indexes										
All items less food	131.0	131.4	131.7	132.2	[illegible]	[illegible]	10.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less shelter	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less homeowners' costs 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less medical care	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities less food	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables less food 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	11.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	12.3
Nondurables less food and apparel 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nondurables 1/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services less rent of shelter 2/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services less medical care services	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Energy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	76.5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less energy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
All items less food and energy	135.3	135.7	136.3	137.3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Commodities less food and energy commodities	120.4	122.6	122.8	123.1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Energy commodities	119.3	118.5	112.8	110.2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Services less energy services	143.6	144.1	144.6	145.6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.
- Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): Selected areas, all items index
(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W

Area	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change to Jan. 1991 from-			Percent change to Dec. 1990 from-		
		Oct. 1990	Nov. 1990	Dec. 1990	Jan. 1991	Jan. 1990	Nov. 1990	Dec. 1990	Dec. 1989	Oct. 1990	Nov. 1990
U.S. city average	M	131.9	132.2	132.2	132.8	5.5	0.5	0.5	6.1	0.2	0.0
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban	M	138.1	138.4	138.3	139.2	5.8	.6	.7	6.1	.1	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	137.7	137.9	137.9	138.6	5.8	.5	.5	6.5	.1	.0
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000	M	137.1	137.6	137.4	139.2	6.2	1.3	1.3	6.1	.2	.0
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	140.1	141.2	140.6	141.4	5.2	.1	.6	5.6	.4	-.4
North Central urban	M	128.0	128.3	128.2	128.3	4.7	.0	.1	5.9	.2	-.1
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	128.2	128.8	128.6	128.7	4.7	-.1	.1	5.8	.3	-.2
Size B - 360,000 to 1,200,000	M	126.8	126.5	126.7	127.0	6.3	.4	.2	5.2	-.1	.2
Size C - 50,000 to 360,000	M	129.6	129.8	129.5	129.7	5.0	-.1	.2	6.1	-.1	-.2
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	125.7	126.0	125.6	125.8	4.9	-.2	.2	5.9	-.1	-.3
South urban	M	130.0	130.1	130.1	130.5	5.3	.3	.3	6.2	.1	.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000	M	130.5	130.6	130.1	130.5	5.4	.1	.3	5.8	-.3	-.4
Size B - 450,000 to 1,200,000	M	129.3	129.7	129.7	130.2	5.3	.4	.4	5.7	.3	.0
Size C - 50,000 to 450,000	M	129.9	130.1	130.1	130.6	5.5	.4	.4	6.2	.2	.0
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)	M	129.8	130.4	130.9	130.8	5.1	.3	-.1	7.2	.8	.4
West urban	M	132.6	132.7	133.2	134.1	6.2	1.1	.7	6.3	.5	.4
Size A - More than 1,250,000	M	132.7	133.0	133.4	134.3	6.1	1.0	.7	6.4	.5	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 330,000	M	131.1	130.9	131.2	131.4	5.5	.4	.2	5.5	.1	.2
Size classes											
A 3/	M	131.1	131.3	131.3	131.8	5.5	.4	.4	6.2	.2	.0
B	M	131.2	131.4	131.5	132.4	5.8	.8	.7	5.8	.2	.1
C	M	132.0	132.3	132.2	132.6	5.3	.2	.3	6.0	.2	-.1
D	M	129.8	130.2	130.4	130.6	5.3	.3	.2	6.5	.5	.2
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	129.4	130.3	130.7	131.1	5.6	.6	.3	6.6	1.0	.3
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	134.5	134.8	135.2	135.8	5.7	.7	.4	6.5	.5	.3
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	139.5	139.5	139.5	140.3	5.5	.6	.6	6.2	.0	.0
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	M	139.1	139.9	139.8	140.9	7.2	.7	.8	7.5	.5	-.1
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	133.6	133.7	133.9	135.3	6.0	1.2	1.0	5.8	.2	.1
Baltimore, MD	1	-	133.2	-	133.7	5.1	.4	-	-	-	-
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	1	-	142.3	-	142.2	5.6	-.1	-	-	-	-
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	1	-	125.8	-	125.8	5.3	.0	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	1	-	129.3	-	129.8	5.6	.4	-	-	-	-
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	1	-	129.9	-	130.3	4.8	.3	-	-	-	-
Washington, DC-MD-VA	1	-	137.2	-	137.7	5.0	.4	-	-	-	-
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	2	128.8	-	127.8	-	-	-	-	5.4	-.8	-
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	2	128.7	-	128.1	-	-	-	-	5.5	-.5	-
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria, TX	2	124.7	-	123.5	-	-	-	-	6.5	-1.0	-
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	2	124.6	-	124.2	-	-	-	-	6.1	-.3	-

1/ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:
M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.
2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

2/ Regions are defined as the four Census regions.

3/ Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.

- Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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